[Mr. O. M. Thomas.]

(*c*) whether any Budget allotments were ever made for the execution of the scheme, and, if so, when;

(*d*) whether the work was commenced in pursuance of the Budget allotment; and

(*e*) if not, the reason for not commencing the work?

**MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR** (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) This does not arise, in view of the answer to part (*a*).

(*c*) A provision of Rs. 85,000 was made in Part II of the Budget for 1106 but this was surrendered owing to financial stringency.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) The estimate for the work has not been sanctioned nor administrative sanction accorded. The matter is pending consideration by the Road Board.

**MR. O. M. THOMAS** (*Kottayam*): With reference to the answer to part (*c*) of the question, may I know whether the provision of Rs. 85,000 was made without according sanction to this scheme?

**MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR** (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): It is a misprint for Rs. 5,000.

**MR. O. M. THOMAS** (*Kottayam*): So, misprints are very common. Am I to understand that Rs. 5,000 is the correct figure?

**MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR** (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Yes.

**MR. O. M. THOMAS** (*Kottayam*): Was that sum allotted in the Budget without sanctioning the scheme?

**MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR** (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Answer to part (*e*) gives the information.

**MR. O. M. THOMAS** (*Kottayam*): So, when the provision was made, the matter was pending before Government?

**MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR** (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The estimate was not sanctioned nor administrative sanction accorded. It is only after these that the work will be taken up.

**MR. O. M. THOMAS** (*Kottayam*): So, provision was made in anticipation of sanction. Am I to understand like that?

**MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR** (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Yes.

*Selection of Assistant Examiners for public examinations of the State.*

81. **MR. A. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the principle which they follow in the selection of Assistant Examiners for the public examinations of the State; and

(*b*) whether it is a fact that the claims of many of the seniors are overlooked in the selection?

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The following general principles are followed in the selection of Assistant Examiners.—

(i) Ordinarily no person should be an Assistant Examiner for less than two or more than three consecutive years, and ordinarily an Assistant Examiner should be kept on for 3 years in one subject unless his work has been declared to have been unsatisfactory. This practice is intended to ensure continuity of policy and experience in examining.

(ii) Teachers of longer experience should, other things being equal, be preferred to teachers of shorter experience and generally graduates should be preferred to undergraduates.

(iii) The selection of Assistant Examiners should, as far as possible, be from among persons with whom it would be possible for the Chief Examiners to be in close touch for the first few days after the work of valuation of answers is taken up.

(*b*) The selection of Examiners is not made on the basis of length of service alone. Length of service is only one of the several considerations, such as qualifications, knowledge of standards, efficiency, etc.

MR. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vaikam*) : സാധാരണയായി ഗ്രാഡ് വെറ്റ് ടീച്ചേർസിന്റെ അട്ടക്കൽ നിന്നും അസിസ്റ്റന്റ് എക്സാമിനർഷിപ്പിനു അപേക്ഷ വാങ്ങിക്കാറുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. GEORGE. (*Chief Secretary to Government*): അപേക്ഷ അയക്കാറുണ്ടെന്നറിയാം.

MR. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vaikam*) : അപേക്ഷ ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ട വാങ്ങിക്കാറുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : അതു നിശ്ചയമില്ല.

MR. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vaikam*) : അപേക്ഷകൾ സ്വീകരിക്കുന്നതു ഇഷ്ടം പോലെ അപേക്ഷിക്കുന്നവരിൽ നിന്നൊ അതല്ല ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ട വാങ്ങിക്കുന്നവരിൽ നിന്നൊ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : അപേക്ഷ ഏതരയച്ചാലും ആഫീസിൽ സ്വീകരിക്കും. അതിൽ എക്സാമിനർഷിപ്പ് ആക്കെല്ലാം കൊടുക്കാമെന്നു ഡയറക്ടക്കു തോന്നുന്നവോ അവക്കാണു കൊടുക്കുന്നതു?

MR. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vaikam*) : മുന്നു വർഷത്തിൽ കൂടുതൽ എക്സാമിനേർസായി ആരേയും തന്നെ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടില്ല എന്നാണോ ഈ മറുപടിയിൽ നിന്നും മനസ്സിലാക്കേണ്ടതു?

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : എന്നല്ല. സാധാരണയായി അങ്ങിനെ എന്നേയുള്ളൂ. ചില പ്രത്യേകകാരണങ്ങളാൽ മുന്നു വർഷത്തിൽ കൂടുതൽ ഒരാൾക്കു തന്നെ കൊടുക്കുന്നു എന്നും വന്നേയ്ക്കാം.

*Seasonal remissions granted in 1106.*

82. MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum cum Neduvangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the total amount under seasonal remissions granted in the year 1106 ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : The total amount remitted under seasonal remissions in 1106 was Rs. 7,051.

*Widening of the Muzhikkal-Parumala canal.*

83. MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have investigated the question of widening the Muzhikkal-Parumala canal ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government regarding the matter.

MR. T. K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The matter is under investigation.

(*b*) This does not arise, in view of the answer to part (*a*).

*Qualifications for Pakuthi Accountants.*

84. MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the qualifications prescribed for the candidates who seek appointments as Accountants in the Land Revenue Department ; and

(*b*) how the candidates can acquire the qualifications prescribed without entering the Department ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Besides the minimum general examination qualification prescribed under the Public Service Notification for entertainment in public service, a candidate seeking appointment as Accountant in the Land Revenue Department should have passed the Travancore Survey Test and Village Officers' Test.

(*b*) The Travancore Survey and Village Officers' Tests are open to private candidates and as such there is no bar to anyone acquiring the above qualifications.

*Chakkuvalli-Kulasekharapuram road.*

85. MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the date on which the work of constructing the Chakkuvalli-Kulasekharapuram road was sanctioned ;

(*b*) the date on which the work was commenced ;

(*c*) the amount spent annually for the work till date (14-4-1107) ;

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